REMARKS:

Claim 11 has been amended to enter the minor correction requested by the Examiner.

Claim 1 has been amended to more clearly point out the invention and to ensure consistency of language.

The Examiner has rejected Claim 1 under 35 U.S.C. 102 in view of Speyer.

Claim 1 has been amended to make clear the following points of distinction.

- a) The two substrate sheets are separate each from the other so as to define front and rear surfaces of the first substrate sheet and front and rear surfaces of the second substrate sheet. The Examiner points to Figure 2 of Speyer but the sheets 2 and 3 of Speyer are connected together as a single substrate folded at the line 7.
- b) The line at which the first and second substrate sheets are fastened together is spaced from the side edges of the first substrate sheet so as to define two parts of the first substrate sheet one on each side of the line and the line is spaced from the side edges of the second substrate sheet as it defines two parts of the second substrate sheet one on each side of the line. If the Examiner is

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considering the sheet 2 as the first substrate sheet and the sheet 3 as the second substrate sheet, then these sheets are not fastened together along a line since they are fastened together over their whole area.

- c) The four parts defined by the two parts of the first substrate sheet and the two parts of the second substrate sheet are separate each from the other such that each part can pivot relative to the other parts about an axis defined by the line. Clearly this is not the case in the construction of Speyer since firstly the two sheets are completely fastened together so that one part of sheet 2 cannot pivot relative to the adjacent part of sheet 3 since they are fastened together. Secondly in Speyer, in the finished product, as shown in Figure 1, the side edges are also fastened together so as to prevent any pivotal movement. The claim now clearly distinguishes from this construction.
- d) The construction defined above forms a booklet of four parts and eight exposed surfaces. In Figure 2 of Speyer clearly there are not four parts and eight exposed surfaces since there are only two parts folded about the line 7.

It is submitted therefore that Claim 1 has been amended in a manner which now clearly distinguishes the construction from the arrangement of Speyer.

Even if one looks at the further embodiments of Speyer as shown in Figures 5 and 6, the product as shown is fastened along the side edges so that none of the product shown provides the four separate parts pivotal about the line or the eight exposed surfaces.

It is submitted that the concept of the present invention in which the game data is printed on the different available surfaces of the eight exposed surfaces is entirely different from the construction of Speyer in which Speyer is intended to encapsulate the printed data. The whole concept therefore is entirely different and it is submitted that the rejection of 35 U.S.C. 102 was based upon a reading of the claim which required some distortion of the meaning. In any event the claim has now been rendered more clear so that the construction is now fully distinguished from the prior art of Speyer.

The Examiner has not raised any objection under 35 U.S.C. 103 that the invention is merely obvious since there is simply no disclosure in the prior art concerning the provision of a booklet formed of four separate parts and eight exposed surfaces in which the printed indicia and scratch-off material are applied to one or more of the surfaces. It is submitted therefore that no rejection under 35 U.S.C. 103 can be sustained.

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In view of the foregoing, further and favourable reconsideration of this

application is respectfully requested.

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